HB 225 -- Personal Flotation Devices

Sponsor: Berry

This bill requires a child younger than eight years of age to wear an approved personal flotation device when on board any watercraft that is not fully enclosed. Currently, this provision applies to a child younger than seven. The bill also requires a child younger than eight years of age to wear an approved personal flotation device when wading or swimming in navigable public waters more than three feet deep when not under the supervision of a lifeguard. Any person who allows a child younger than eight years of age to violate these provisions will be guilty of a class C misdemeanor. These provisions will be known as Hannah's Law.